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SUBJECT: CORAL SEA TASK FORCE VISIT: NUCLEAR DISCLOSURE
POLICY

REF: CANBERRA 2948

1. FOLLOWING RESPONSE TO DFA QUESTION REFTEL SHOULD BE
PROVIDED FOR UNCLASSIFIED USE ON "IF ASKED" BASIS.

ANSWER: "THE SAFETY STANDARDS ESTABLISHED FOR NUCLEAR
WEAPONS BY THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT ASSURE POSITIVE
MEASURES TO PRECLUDE ACCIDENTAL OR UNAUTHORIZED ARMING,
LAUNCHING, FIRING, OR RELEASING, AND REQUIRE THE INCOR-
PORATION OF DESIGN FEATURES WHICH PREVENT NUCLEAR WEAPONS
INVOLVED IN ACCIDENTS OR INCIDENTS FROM PRODUCING A NUCLEAR
YIELD."

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2. SHOULD QUESTION ARISE, EMBASSY SHOULD REITERATE THAT
USG LONGSTANDING POLICY IS TO NEITHER CONFIRM NOR DENY
THE PRESENCE OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS AT ANY LOCATION.

3. DFA UNDOUBTEDLY AWARE OF OUR VIEWS ON THESE POINTS,
WHICH TRANSMITTED IN BIGLEY-LANDAU LETTER OF DECEMBER 26,
1974. ANY FURTHER QUESTIONS SHOULD BE REFERRED TO
WASHINGTON. KISSINGER

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